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Patent Claims

1. Fiber grating filter optical waveguide device, comprising an optical fiber with an optical filter, both consisting essentially of silica, whereby said optical filter has an area with a grating region,

wherein

the fiber grating filter is a slanted Bragg grating filter and

said area with a grating region is covered with a layer comprising a material having a refractive index which is the same or higher than the refractive index of the material of the optical fiber <u>cladding</u>

and the material is attached by covalent bonds of the material.

- 2.Device according to claim 1, wherein the material is made from a monomeric and/or oligomeric precursor material.
- 3.Device according to claim 1, wherein the material contains hydrolyzable functional groups.
- 4.Device according to claim 1, wherein the precursor material and the material contain at least one element selected from Si, Al, Ti, Sn, Ni and/or mixtures thereof.
- 5.Device according to claim 1, wherein the precursor material and the material contain organic groups.



6.Device according to one of the preceding claims, wherein the optical fiber has a core region and an outer region, whereby the core region displays a lower photosensitivity with respect to the outer region.